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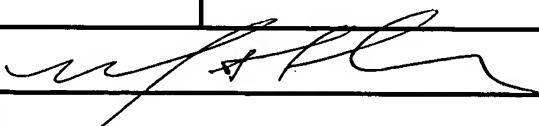
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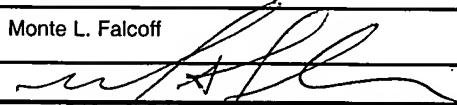
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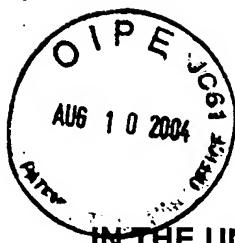
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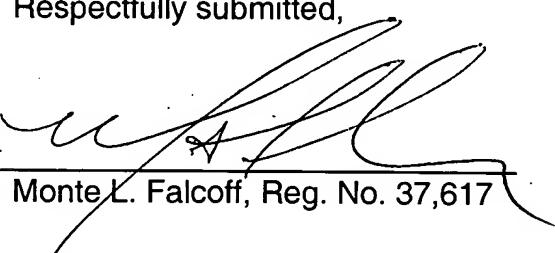
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ELECTION

In response to the Restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121, dated July 13, 2004,
Applicants' representative hereby provisionally elects Group I, Claims 1-40, 42 and 43,
but with traverse. The Examiner has not set forth a prima facie case of undue burden.
Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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